

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY
HELD AT PHILADELPHIA
FOR PROMOTING USEFUL KNOWLEDGE

VOL. XLV

JANUARY-APRIL, 1906.

No. 182.

Stated Meeting January 5, 1906.

President SMITH in the Chair.

An invitation was received from the Royal Geographical Society of Australasia, announcing that it would celebrate in June, 1906, the twenty-first anniversary of its foundation and inviting this Society to participate. On motion the President was authorized to appoint a delegate to represent the Society thereat.

The Judges of the Annual Election of Officers and Councillors reported that an election had been held on the afternoon of this day and that the following named members had been elected to be officers for the ensuing year:

President

Edgar F. Smith.

Vice-Presidents

George F. Barker, William B. Scott, Simon Newcomb.

Secretaries

I. Minis Hays, Arthur W. Goodspeed,
Edwin G. Conklin, Morris Jastrow, Jr.

Curators

Charles L. Doolittle, William P. Wilson, Albert H. Smyth.

Treasurer

Henry La Barre Jayne.

Councillors to Serve for Three Years

Patterson Du Bois,

Ernest W. Brown,

Samuel Dickson,

William Keith Brooks.

The Annual Report of the Treasurer was presented.

Stated Meeting January 19, 1906.

President SMITH in the Chair.

Mr. Burnet Landreth read a paper entitled "A Case of Persistent Vitality in Seeds" (see page 5), which was discussed by Dr. W. P. Wilson, Professor Conklin and Dr. Ravepel.

Dr. John Marshall made some "Observations on the Venom of the Rattlesnake," which was discussed by Dr. W. P. Wilson, Professor Willis, Mr. J. E. Whitfield, Dr. Ravenel and Dr. Fetterolf.